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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Dreier (for himself [see attached list of cosponsors]) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

A BILL

To authorize the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers and in coordination with other Federal agency heads, to participate in the funding and implementation of a balanced, long-term solution to the problems of groundwater contamination, water supply, and reliability affecting the San Gabriel groundwater basin in California, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- This Act may be cited as the "San Gabriel Basin
- 3 Water Quality Initiative".
- 4 SEC. 2. SAN GABRIEL BASIN RESTORATION FUND.
- 5 (a) Establishment of the Restoration
- 6 Fund.—There shall be established within the Treasury of
- 7 the United States an interest bearing account to be known
- 8 as the San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund (in this sec-
- 9 tion referred to as "Restoration Fund").
- 10 (b) Administration of the Restoration
- 11 Fund.—The Restoration Fund shall be administered by
- 12 the Secretary of the Army (in this Act referred to as the
- 13 "Secretary"), acting through the Chief of Engineers. The
- 14 Secretary shall administer such Fund in cooperation with
- 15 the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority, or its suc-
- 16 cessor agency.
- 17 (c) Purposes of the Restoration Fund.—The
- 18 proceeds of the Restoration Fund shall be utilized by the
- 19 Secretary to design, construct, operate, and maintain
- 20 water quality projects administered by the San Gabriel
- 21 Basin Water Quality Authority.
- 22 (d) Authorization of Appropriations.—For
- 23 each of the fiscal years 2000 through 2004, there is au-
- 24 thorized to be appropriated to the Restoration Fund
- 25 \$15,000,000.

- 1 (e) Contributions From the State of Califor-
- 2 NIA.—The Secretary, acting through the Chief of Engi-
- 3 neers, is authorized to accept and administer in coopera-
- 4 tion with the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority
- 5 any funds which the State of California, local government
- 6 agencies, or private entities may contribute to the Restora-
- 7 tion Fund.
- 8 (f) Compliance With Applicable Law.—In carry-
- 9 ing out the activities described in subsection (c), the Sec-
- 10 retary shall comply with any applicable Federal or State
- 11 law.
- 12 (g) Relationship to Other Activities.—Nothing
- 13 in this Act shall be construed to affect other Federal or
- 14 State authorities that are being used or may be used to
- 15 facilitate the cleanup and protection of the San Gabriel
- 16 groundwater basin. In carrying out the activities described
- 17 in subsection (c), the Secretary shall integrate such activi-
- 18 ties with ongoing Federal and State projects and activi-
- 19 ties. None of the funds made available for the activities
- 20 described in subsection (e) pursuant to this Act shall be
- 21 counted against any Federal authorization ceiling estab-
- 22 lished for any previously authorized Federal projects or
- 23 activities.

1 SEC. 3. PERCHLORATE.

- 2 (a) Investigations and Projects.—The Sec-
- 3 retary, acting through the Chief of Engineers and in co-
- 4 operation with State and local government agencies, is au-
- 5 thorized to participate in studies and other investigative
- 6 activities and in the planning and design of projects deter-
- 7 mined by the Secretary to offer a long-term solution to
- 8 the problem of groundwater contamination caused by per-
- 9 chlorates.
- 10 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the
- 11 purposes of carrying out the activities authorized in sub-
- 12 section (a), there are authorized to be appropriated to the
- 13 Secretary \$25,000,000.